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Fatal Officer Involved Shooting of Timothy John Beckwith

J.S.I.D. File #19-0125

L.A.S.D. File #019-03705-2607-055

Dear Captain Mendoza:

The Justice System Integrity Division of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office has completed its review of the March 17, 2019, fatal shooting of Timothy John Beckwith by Deputies Jonathan Blue, Ronald Barrientos, and Raul Magadan of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. Our detailed analysis of this incident is contained in the attached memorandum.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE GASCÓN District Attorney

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Head Deputy District Attorney Justice System Integrity Division

Deputy Jonathan Blue, # C: Deputy Ronald Barrientos, # Deputy Raul Magadan, #

#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

CAPTAIN JOE MENDOZA

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FROM:

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DATE:

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The Justice System Integrity Division of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office has completed its review of the March 17, 2019, fatal shooting of Timothy John Beckwith by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) Deputies Jonathan Blue, Ronald Barrientos, and Raul Magadan. We have determined that Deputy Blue, Deputy Barrientos, and Deputy Magadan acted in lawful self-defense and defense of others when they fired their duty weapons.

The District Attorney's Command Center was notified of this shooting on March 17, 2019, at approximately 6:00 a.m. The District Attorney Response Team responded to the scene and was given a briefing and walk-through by Lieutenant Scott Hoglund.

The following analysis is based on reports and other materials, including recorded interviews, photographs, telephone calls to LASD's Palmdale Station, video surveillance recordings, and radio communications submitted to this office by LASD Homicide Bureau. No compelled statements were considered in this analysis.

#### FACTUAL ANALYSIS

On March 16, 2019, at approximately 4:00 p.m., an anonymous person called the Palmdale LASD Station to report a "fugitive" by the name of "Tim Beckwith." Beckwith had an outstanding "no-bail" warrant and was located inside a trailer parked in the driveway of a residence on Karling Place in the City of Palmdale. Blue and Barrientos responded to the location but did not see the person matching the description of the man and the deputies drove off.

At approximately 9:00 p.m., Blue and Barrientos responded to a second call regarding Beckwith's location at the same address. The deputies obtained and viewed Beckwith's California identification photograph using department resources and confirmed the existence of

Beckwith's outstanding warrant. When the deputies arrived, they could hear movement inside the trailer and saw some light emitting through its windows, which were mostly obstructed by various items. Blue knocked on the door of the trailer. After more shuffling Beckwith said, "Who is it?" or "Who's there?" Blue identified themselves as deputies. Beckwith responded, "This better not be a joke. I have a gun." Suddenly the trailer door swung open toward Blue.

Blue told investigators that Beckwith opened the door and Blue held the door open with his left hand. Blue illuminated Beckwith with his flashlight and recognized him from the photograph he had viewed earlier as the person named in the warrant. Beckwith was "crouched down" in a "suspicious" manner and looked in Blue's direction. Beckwith stood up and took a few steps back and pointed a "black pistol" at Blue. The lighting inside the trailer was dim and Beckwith held the object close to his torso, but Blue believed it was a revolver based on its "silhouette." Blue turned, stepped down from the step by the trailer door, and heard a "muffled gunshot" inside the trailer. Blue then heard louder gunshots that he believed to be fired by Barrientos. In fear for his life and that of his partner, Blue fired four rounds from his service weapon at the trailer door.

A surveillance camera from a house neighboring the driveway with the trailer recorded several segments, all approximately 20 seconds in length. The video recordings appeared to be motion activated. One segment captured the officer involved shooting as described by Blue and Barrientos. The video captured Blue at the door of the trailer. The trailer door was opened momentarily, and Blue immediately retreated as he described to investigators. No gunshots are heard as the recordings did not include sound.



Surveillance video depicting Blue at the open trailer door immediately before he turned and stepped away.

Barrientos told investigators that when the trailer door swung open, he saw Blue's eyes "light up" as he looked inside the trailer. Barrientos heard a gunshot from what he believed to be a small caliber gun and saw Blue jump backward and hunch over. Barrientos believed Blue had been shot in the abdomen or legs. Barrientos pointed his service weapon near the doorjamb of the trailer where he saw light and a shadow moving in the trailer. Barrientos fired two rounds from his service weapon at the area of the trailer he believed Beckwith was located. He heard Blue fire approximately two rounds, and then Barrientos fired four more rounds at the trailer in the direction where he believed Beckwith was positioned so that they could safely move back toward their patrol car for cover.\(^1\)

Blue and Barrientos took cover behind their patrol car and radioed for help. Responding deputies communicated with Beckwith utilizing their public address (PA) system. Beckwith stated that he was injured due to gunfire, but he refused to come out to obtain medical attention and was heard moving around inside the trailer. LASD's Special Enforcement Bureau (SEB) was notified of an armed barricaded person and responded to the location.

Magadan was assigned to SEB's Special Weapons Team. SEB deputies implemented various protocols to encourage Beckwith to surrender peacefully. Deputies attempted to negotiate with Beckwith through PA announcements. Over the course of several hours, Beckwith repeatedly opened the trailer door, yelled at the deputies, and shut the door. Officer an officer with the Inglewood Police Department temporarily assigned to SEB, told investigators that Beckwith responded to the deputies' commands to come out with remarks like, "Fuck you! We're going to have to shoot it out at this point!" SEB Deputy Hilgendorf heard Beckwith state that he was armed with a gun and that he would not be taken alive. At approximately 1:00 a.m., Beckwith opened a roof hatch two times and threatened to come out of the trailer shooting. Beckwith threatened to kill deputies and their police dog.

Magadan was assigned to cover the team designated to arrest Beckwith. Magadan was armed with a 9mm submachine gun and positioned approximately 35 to 40 feet away from the trailer. In addition to hearing Beckwith's threats, Magadan was told that Beckwith had fired at deputies earlier in the evening. Magadan also witnessed Beckwith open the door of the trailer, quickly display what he believed to be a handgun, and shut the trailer door. At approximately 3:00 a.m., deputies deployed flash bang canisters with tear gas at the trailer. Magadan stated that several seconds later, Beckwith slammed the trailer door open, stepped outside, and pointed a handgun in the direction of SEB deputies. Magadan believed he saw a "small caliber blue-steel dark handgun." Magadan stated that he was concerned for the safety of deputies at the scene and fired six to seven rounds at Beckwith's upper torso area. Beckwith fell to the ground and returned inside the trailer.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The physical evidence indicated that Barrientos fired a total of six to seven rounds from his service weapon.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> SEB Deputy Clarke stated he heard two gunshots from within the trailer after tear gas was inserted into the trailer before Beckwith exited the trailer holding "something" in his hand.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> SEB Deputy Solano stated that he saw Beckwith run out of the trailer door and appeared to have a small caliber, blue-steel firearm in his right hand.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The surveillance camera from the neighboring house did not record this officer involved shooting.

Beckwith was heard yelling. Shortly thereafter Beckwith did not respond to further communications. Deputies utilized an armored vehicle with a metal claw, various cameras, and a dog to search for Beckwith inside the trailer. Approximately two hours later, the arrest team entered the trailer and discovered Beckwith had succumbed to his injuries and was deceased.

Investigators conducted a thorough search of the trailer and did not locate any firearms. Investigators located a black metal bicycle gooseneck to a handlebar on the floor of the trailer beneath the refrigerator and an additional metal bicycle piece, cylindrical in shape, within the considerable amount of debris inside the trailer.<sup>5</sup>



Bicycle gooseneck photographed inside the trailer.



Photograph of crime scene investigator holding bicycle gooseneck.

<sup>5</sup> These items were not submitted for scientific analysis.



Photograph of the cylindrical hardware.

On March 19, 2019, an autopsy was conducted, and the medical examiner determined that the cause of Beckwith's death was multiple gunshot wounds. Laboratory analysis detected the presence of methamphetamine, amphetamine, and THC<sup>6</sup> in Beckwith's blood system.

#### LEGAL ANALYSIS

California law permits any person to use deadly force in self-defense or in the defense of others if he actually and reasonably believed that he or others were in imminent danger of great bodily injury or death. CALCRIM No. 505. In protecting himself or another, a person may use that amount of force which he believes reasonably necessary and which would appear to a reasonable person, in the same or similar circumstances, to be necessary to prevent imminent injury. *Id.* If the person's beliefs were reasonable, the danger does not need to have actually existed. *Id.* 

In California, the evaluation of the reasonableness of a police officer's use of deadly force employs a reasonable person acting as a police officer standard, which enables the jury to evaluate the conduct of a reasonable person functioning as a police officer in a stressful situation. *People v. Mehserle* (2012) 206 Cal.App.4th 1125, 1146.

In evaluating whether a police officer's use of deadly force was reasonable in a specific situation, it is helpful to draw guidance from the objective standard of reasonableness adopted in civil actions alleging Fourth Amendment violations. "The 'reasonableness' of a particular use of force must be judged from the perspective of a reasonable officer on the scene, rather than with the 20/20 vision of hindsight... The calculus of reasonableness must embody allowance for the fact that police officers are often forced to make split-second judgments—in circumstances that are tense, uncertain, and rapidly evolving—about the amount of force that is necessary in a particular situation." *Graham v. Connor* (1989) 490 U.S. 386, 396-397.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> THC is the main psychoactive compound in cannabis.

Blue and Barrientos attempted to contact Beckwith, who had an outstanding warrant for his arrest. Blue knocked on the door of the trailer, and immediately identified him and his partner as Sheriff's deputies. In response, Beckwith told the deputies he was armed with a "gun." Beckwith forcefully swung the door open and held an unknown object, likely a bicycle part, in a manner consistent with how a person would hold a handgun. Beckwith's words and actions caused Blue to reasonably believe Beckwith was preparing to shoot him. Blue immediately retreated and both deputies heard what they believed to be a muffled "gunshot." In response, Blue and Barrientos fired their service weapons.

Since there was no firearm located inside the trailer, it only became apparent after the officer involved shootings that the sound heard by Blue and Barrientos was not a gunshot. The physical evidence retrieved from inside the trailer after the officer involved shootings indicates that Beckwith used an item or items resembling a handgun to threaten deputies. The totality of the circumstances indicate that Beckwith intended, through his words and actions, to cause the deputies to believe he was armed with a "gun" and that he posed a deadly threat. Although a deadly danger did not actually exist because Beckwith was not armed with a firearm, the deputies' beliefs and fear of imminent threat of great bodily injury or death were reasonable at the time they used deadly force.

After the initial shooting, the deputies retreated and called for backup. Beckwith claimed he was injured and refused to surrender. Beckwith continued to communicate that he possessed a firearm to the deputies at the scene. His actions and words directly indicated that he was a danger to deputies at the scene. He brandished an object that resembled a pistol and threatened to shoot and kill deputies and their dog. He told deputies at the scene that he would not surrender.

After several hours, Beckwith charged outside the trailer and pointed an object resembling a pistol toward the deputies. Beckwith's intentionally acted in a manner he knew would likely result in the deputies shooting him. Magadan, tasked with protecting other deputies who had attempted for several hours to persuade Beckwith to surrender peacefully, reasonably believed that Beckwith was armed with a handgun and posed an imminent threat to the safety of all the deputies at the scene. In response, Magadan fired his service weapon resulting in Beckwith's death. Under the circumstances known at the time, Magadan's use of deadly force was reasonable to defend against what Magadan reasonably believed to be a deadly threat to his partner deputies.

#### CONCLUSION

We conclude that the deadly force utilized by Deputy Jonathan Blue, Deputy Ronald Barrientos, and Deputy Raul Magadan was legally justified in self-defense and the defense of others.

# Los ingeles County Sheriff's Department Officer Involved Shooting

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### COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

#### INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

INCIDENT: On-Duty Hit Shooting, Suspect Deceased

IAB FILE NUMBER: SH 2485801

URN#: 019-03705-2607-055

**DATE/TIME:** March 16, 2019, 2114 Hours

LOCATION: Karling Place, Palmdale

#### **SYNOPSIS**

On March 16, 2019, an Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB) Shooting/Force response team comprised of Lieutenant Robert Jones, # Sergeant Joseph Morales, # Sand Sergeant Ernest Ferreras, # Sergeant France Karling Place in the city of Palmdale, regarding an on-duty, deputy involved hit shooting. Suspect Timothy Beckwith (Suspect Beckwith) sustained several gunshot wounds and died. On February 24, 2022, this case was reassigned to Sergeant Terrance Smith, # Sergeant Terrance Smith, \* S

IAB Lieutenant Jones advised that the Palmdale Station on-duty watch commander took reasonable steps to ensure the involved employees and witness personnel did not discuss the incident amongst themselves or with uninvolved persons prior to being interviewed by Homicide investigators. In addition, IAB Lieutenant Jones confirmed the involved personnel gathered in the company of a supervisor until they provided a statement to the assigned investigators.

Detective John Carlin, # \_\_\_\_\_, and Detective Ralph Hernandez, # \_\_\_\_, from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) Homicide Bureau assumed control of the shooting investigation. For further information regarding the investigation conducted by Homicide Bureau, refer to the Homicide Case Book under file number 019-03705-2607-055 [Exhibit A].

IAB NOTE: The page numbers referenced in this summary regarding Exhibit A, correspond to page numbers written at the bottom of each page in the Homicide casebook.

#### SUMMARY

On March 16, 2019, Deputy Jonathan Blue and Deputy Ronald Barrientos were assigned to Palmdale Station, Unit 264A.

An anonymous person called Palmdale Station at 1614 hours and reported a person named "Tim Beckwith" had an outstanding no bail warrant for assault with a deadly weapon likely to cause great bodily injury (245 (a)(4) PC) and was inside of a trailer parked in front of Karling Place, Palmdale, incident number PLM1975-0178 [Exhibit B].

IAB NOTE: At the time of the incident, Suspect Beckwith had an outstanding no bail felony warrant for 245 (a)(4) PC under warrant #ATPMA06952501 [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, page 67].

> The circumstances regarding Suspect Beckwith's charge were documented under LASD file #016-05603-2607-054 [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 68-91].

Deputies Blue and Barrientos obtained a photograph of Suspect Beckwith from Departmental resources and responded to the location at approximately 1638 hours. They drove by Suspect Beckwith's trailer; however, did not stop because they saw no activity and left the location.

A second call for service was received at Palmdale Station at 2036 hours by the same anonymous caller. The caller once again reported Suspect Beckwith was inside of his trailer at the same location.

Deputies Blue and Barrientos returned to the location. They approached the trailer and heard movement and saw dim light emitting from inside. Deputy Blue stood on top of makeshift steps, in front of the trailer door and knocked. Suspect Beckwith asked who it was. Deputy Blue identified himself as a deputy sheriff. Suspect Beckwith replied. "This better not be a joke, I have a gun!" and suddenly swung open the trailer door toward Deputy Blue.

Deputy Blue held the trailer door open with his left hand and illuminated Suspect Beckwith with the flashlight which was affixed to his firearm. Suspect Beckwith crouched down and looked at Deputy Blue. Suspect Beckwith stood up then stepped back while pointing what Deputy Blue believed to be a black pistol at him. Deputy Blue stepped down from the makeshift steps, he heard gunshots and believed Suspect Beckwith had fired at him. Deputy Blue fired five rounds at the trailer door from his Department issued Smith & Wesson, M&P firearm.

Deputy Barrientos saw Deputy Blue jump backward and heard a gunshot. He believed Deputy Blue had been shot by Suspect Beckwith. Deputy Barrientos aimed his

Department issued Smith & Wesson, M&P firearm toward the doorjamb of the trailer door and fired seven rounds in the direction of where he believed Suspect Beckwith was positioned.

Deputies Blue and Barrientos took cover behind their patrol vehicle. They requested the emergency duplex patch and informed Sheriff's Communication Center (SCC) a deputy involved shooting occurred. Additional deputies responded to the location and began to communicate with Suspect Beckwith using the patrol vehicle's public address system. Suspect Beckwith stated he was injured from gunfire but refused to exit his trailer to receive medical attention. Palmdale Station deputies set up a perimeter around the location and began to evacuate nearby residences.

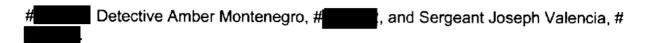
At approximately 2120 hours, Special Enforcement Bureau (SEB) was notified Suspect Beckwith was armed with a handgun, shot at deputies, and was barricaded inside of a trailer. Members of the SEB Gray Team responded to the location. SEB deputies attempted to gain Suspect Beckwith's compliance for him to peacefully surrender, but he refused. Suspect Beckwith repeatedly opened his trailer door, displayed an object in his hand that resembled a handgun and shouted profanities at deputies. Suspect Beckwith shouted he was armed with a handgun and would not be taken alive. At approximately 0100 hours, Suspect Beckwith opened his trailer roof hatch and threatened to kill deputies.

SEB deputies employed a flash bang canister next to and underneath Suspect Beckwith's trailer in an effort to have him surrender. Chemical agents were introduced into his trailer and several seconds later, Suspect Beckwith exited the trailer with his arms extended and pointed an object that resembled a handgun. Deputy Magadan was a deputy on the SEB Gray Team and assigned to provide cover for the arrest team. Deputy Magadan was positioned approximately thirty-five to forty feet away from the trailer. In fear for the safety of SEB deputies, Deputy Magadan fired five rounds from his Department issued Heckler & Koch MP5, submachine gun at Suspect Beckwith's upper torso. Suspect Beckwith fell to the ground, stood up and re-entered his trailer.

Suspect Beckwith was heard yelling, but he did not respond to further communications. SEB deputies utilized an armored vehicle with a metal claw, various cameras and a K-9 dog to search for Suspect Beckwith inside the trailer. After approximately two hours, the arrest team entered the trailer and found Suspect Beckwith had succumbed to his injuries and was deceased.

A search of the trailer was conducted, but no firearm was recovered. A black metal bicycle gooseneck to a handlebar and an additional metal bike piece, which had a cylindrical shape, were located inside of the trailer [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, page 46].

Homicide Detectives Carlin and Hernandez responded to the scene of the deputy involved shooting and began their investigation. They were assisted by fellow Homicide Bureau investigators Detective Karen Shonka, # Detective Mark Perez,



At the time of this incident, Palmdale Station had not been issued body-worn cameras.

#### **DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S LETTER OF OPINION**

The Justice System Integrity Division of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office reviewed the shooting of Suspect Timothy Beckwith. In their letter of opinion, dated September 30, 2021, Head Deputy District Attorney Alan Yochelson concluded Deputy Blue, Deputy Barrientos and Deputy Magadan acted lawfully in self-defense and in defense of others [Exhibit C].

#### **INVOLVED EMPLOYEE**

Jonathan Blue, Deputy Sheriff, #
North Patrol Division
Palmdale Station

#### **WORK HISTORY**

Date of Employment:

Date Assigned to Patrol/PLM Station:

Date Completed Patrol Training:

Prior Shooting incident(s):

Prior Category 3 Force:



#### **Equipment Worn on Person**

Deputy Blue wore a LASD Class A uniform. The uniform consisted of a long-sleeved tan shirt with shoulder patches, an identifying metal nameplate, and metal LASD badge on his chest. Deputy Blue wore a protective vest underneath his shirt. The pants were green in color and consisted of wool material. Deputy Blue wore an unknown type of gun belt which contained his duty weapon, a Smith & Wesson M&P 9mm 1.0 handgun with a Surefire light affixed to it. Deputy Blue's gun belt also contained two extra ammunition magazines, OC spray, two sets of handcuffs, a tourniquet, a baton, and a portable radio. Deputy Blue also carried a Smith and Wesson, five-shot .38 caliber, 2-inch revolver as a backup weapon.

On March 17, 2019, Deputy Blue's firearm was collected by Homicide Bureau investigators and booked as evidence (EV-RP-2) at Palmdale Station [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 92-93].

Ronald Barrientos, Deputy Sheriff, # North Patrol Division Palmdale Station

#### **WORK HISTORY**

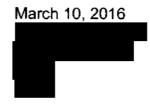
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Date Completed Patrol Training:

Prior Shooting incident(s):

Prior Category 3 Force:



#### **Equipment Worn on Person**

Deputy Barrientos carried a Smith and Wesson M&P 9mm semi-automatic pistol, loaded with 16 rounds in the magazine and one round in the chamber. Deputy Barrientos' firearm had a Surefire light affixed to it. Deputy Barrientos carried two additional ammunition magazines; one of which was loaded with only ten rounds of ammunition and the other loaded with 17 rounds of ammunition. Deputy Barrientos carried a Smith & Wesson M&P 9mm pistol as a back-up firearm. He carried his back-up firearm in his left front pants pocket. Deputy Barrientos' back-up firearm was loaded with 12 rounds of ammunition, with one round in the chamber.

On March 17, 2019, Deputy Barrientos' firearm was collected by Homicide Bureau investigators as evidence (EV-RP-1) at Palmdale Station [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 92-93].

Raul Magadan, Deputy Sheriff, #

Special Operations Division Special Enforcement Bureau

#### **WORK HISTORY**

Date of Employment:

Date Assigned to Patrol/Com Station:

Date Completed Patrol Training:

Prior Shooting incident(s):

Prior Category 3 Force:

June 26, 2001

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#### **Equipment Worn on Person**

Deputy Magadan wore and olive-green SEB tactical "Crye" uniform and an outer SEB entry vest. Deputy Magadan carried his Department issued Beretta, loaded with 15 rounds in the magazine and one chambered round. Deputy Magadan carried three additional Beretta magazines with 15 rounds each. Deputy Magadan also carried his H&K MP5, with a magazine loaded with 28 rounds and two additional magazines loaded with 29 rounds in one and 28 rounds in the other.

On March 17, 2019, Deputy Magadan's firearm was collected by Homicide Bureau investigators as evidence (EV-RP-3) at Palmdale Station [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 92-93].

#### SUSPECT INFORMATION (DECEASED)

#### **Timothy Beckwith**

Male, White, DOB: February CII #				
The Consolidated Criminal F	listory Reportin	g System (CCHR	S) revealed Suspect	

#### SUSPECT'S INJURIES

Suspect Beckwith sustained a total of five gunshot wounds. Two gunshot wounds were to his right lateral chest, one gunshot wound was to his left lateral abdomen, one gunshot wound was to his right posterior arm, and one was to his right anterior forearm. Suspect Beckwith also had several puncture wounds and scratches on his left lower leg that appeared to be dog bites [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 95 through 126].

Laboratory analysis detected the presence of methamphetamine, amphetamine, and Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) in Suspect Beckwith's system.

#### **DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL INJURIES**

None.

#### PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

All physical evidence was located and collected by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau personnel and Scientific Services Bureau personnel. For a description of the evidence collected, and where it was collected from, see the Homicide Bureau Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 43 through 53].

Three hypodermic needles and a bent spoon, unrelated to this shooting investigation, were discovered on the floorboard of Deputies Blue and Barrientos' patrol vehicle (SH1849). This evidence was recovered during an earlier traffic stop conducted by Deputies Blue and Barrientos where the suspect was cited and released [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, page 46, Item 24]; [Exhibit E, Scene Photos, Photos 1499 through 1501]; [Deputy Jonathan Blue's IAB Transcript, page 45].

#### **INVESTIGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS**

IAB investigators were notified at approximately 2200 hours and arrived on scene at approximately 2350 hours. The scene was described in detail by Detective Perez and Detective Shonka [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 50 through 52]. Their description of the scene was consistent with IAB investigators' observations. A diagram

of the scene was also completed by Scientific Services Bureau [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, page 131].

#### WEAPON USED BY DEPUTY BLUE

At the beginning of his shift, Deputy Blue's firearm was loaded to capacity, with one live round in the chamber and seventeen live rounds in the magazine. Homicide investigators inspected Deputy Blue's Department issued Smith & Wesson M&P, semiautomatic handgun and found it loaded with a live round in the chamber and twelve additional rounds in the magazine. Based on the round count of Deputy Blue's firearm, it was determined he fired five rounds of Department issued 9mm ammunition from his firearm. The firearm was examined by Senior Criminalist Anny Wu, # of the Scientific Services Firearms Identification Section and found to be functional [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 96 through 98].

Date last qualified:		
Date last trained wi	th weapon:	

#### **WEAPON USED BY DEPUTY BARRIENTOS**

Date last qualified:			
Date last trained wi	th weapon:		

#### **WEAPON USED BY DEPUTY MAGADAN**

At the beginning of his shift, Deputy Magadan's firearm was loaded to capacity. Deputy Magadan stated he usually carries three magazines, loaded with 28 rounds each. Homicide investigators inspected Deputy Magadan's Department approved Heckler and Koch MP5, submachine gun and found it loaded with a live round in the chamber and twenty-three additional rounds in the magazine. Based on the round count of Deputy Magadan's firearm, it was determined he fired five rounds of Department issued 9mm ammunition from his firearm. The firearm was examined by Senior Criminalist Marco

lezza, #, of the Scientific Services Firearms Identification Section and found to be functional [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 92-94].
Date last qualified:  Date last trained with weapon:
WEAPON USED BY SUSPECT BECKWITH
None.
PROPERTY DAMAGE
The trailer inhabited by Suspect Beckwith sustained numerous bullet-strikes to the exterior. The garage door at Karling Place sustained approximately two bullet-strikes. A Toyota 4-Runner, parked in a driveway west of the suspect's trailer, sustained approximately three bullet-strikes [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, Page 51]; [Exhibit C, Scene Photos].
All known property damage was documented in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, page 51].
LIGHTING AND WEATHER CONDITIONS
The incident occurred outdoors during nighttime hours. The weather was clear.
RADIO TRAFFIC
The incident was coordinated over the Sheriff's Communication Center (SCC) Access radio frequency. The radio traffic is contained on a DVD [Exhibit E]. The following timeline is a summary of the radio transmissions.
SCC Access
21:14.50 - Unit 264A (Deputy Barrientos) requested the patch.
21:14.58 - Unit 264A (Deputy Barrientos) broadcasted "998".
21:15.03 - Unit 264A (Deputy Barrientos) broadcasted they were involved in a 998 at Karling Place and Suspect Beckwith was inside of a trailer.
21:15.20 - Multiple Palmdale units broadcasted they were responding to Unit 264A's location.
21:15.29 - Unit responding.

- 21:15.39 Paramedics requested by Palmdale Station desk.
- 21:15.59 Unit 264A (Deputy Blue) broadcasted a partial description of Suspect Beckwith, requests rear containment and notifies SCC that all deputies are accounted for.
- 21:16:09 Aero Bureau unit Air 29 sets up containment of the area with Palmdale units.
- 21:17:51 Aero Bureau unit Air 29 broadcasted ETA of one and a half minutes.
- 21:20:00 Unit 264A broadcasted Suspect Beckwith is contained inside of his trailer at location.
- 21:20:10 Aero Bureau unit Air 29 arrives to location.
- 21:24:51 An unknown unit broadcasted Suspect Beckwith stated he was injured.
- 21:26:57 An unknown unit broadcasted they were going to ask Suspect Beckwith to call Palmdale Station (9-1-1) to explain the severity of his injuries and why he could not open the trailer door.

IAB NOTE: On May 31, 2022, IAB investigators inquired with the Palmdale Station desk as to whether Suspect Beckwith called 9-1-1 after the deputy involved shooting. No calls from Suspect Beckwith were found.

21:33:18 - Involved deputies switched to A-Tac 1 radio frequency.

#### A-TAC 1

- 21:35:33 An unknown deputy advised "This is an SEB roll-out" and advised them to hold their containment positions.
- 21:52:07 An unknown deputy asked if anyone saw the suspect's weapon.
- 21:57:24 260T1 advised the "Bear Cat" was leaving the station.
- 21:18:17 114A advised they had a 40mm south of the location.
- 23:00:40 SEB advised Palmdale units they were making changes to the arrest team and would be confirming evacuations.

#### PALMDALE METRO L-TAC

21:23:26 – An unknown deputy advised Operations Safe Street (OSS) was enroute; and SEB was being notified.

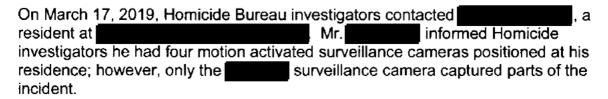
21:25:03 - An unknown deputy advised SEB and OSS were enroute.

21:32:29 – An unknown deputy requested the command post be set up at the water park.

#### **BODY-WORN CAMERAS:**

At the time of this incident, Palmdale Station had not been issued body worn cameras.

#### SURVEILLANCE VIDEO FOOTAGE



On March 18, 2019, Homicide investigators accessed Mr. surveillance video footage and downloaded one hundred and thirty-four video clips that were each twenty seconds in length. Homicide investigators provided 18 video clips which depicted the initial shootings by Deputy Blue and Deputy Barrientos. The second shooting with Deputy Magadan was not captured on surveillance video; however, moments immediately following the shooting were captured on surveillance video [Exhibit E].

The videos display run-times only, and do not display the actual time of day.

**Video #1** – Deputies Blue and Barrientos drove east on Karling Place, past Suspect Beckwith's trailer.

**Video #2 -** Deputies Blue and Barrientos drove west on Karling Place, past Suspect Beckwith's trailer.

Video #3 - Deputies Blue and Barrientos parked in front of Suspect Beckwith's trailer and spoke to a passerby.

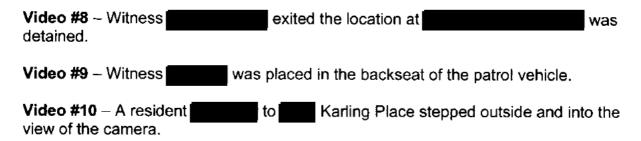
Video #4 – Deputy Blue approached the door of Suspect Beckwith's trailer.

**Video #5** – Deputy Blue stood near the door of the trailer and Deputy Barrientos took a position on the north end of the trailer.

**Video #6** – Deputy Blue stood near the door of the trailer and Deputy Barrientos stood at the north end of the trailer.

**Video #7** – The trailer door swung open causing Deputy Blue to quickly move away from the trailer. Deputy Barrientos moved toward their patrol car. The deputy involved shooting occurred.

**IAB NOTE:** Due to the quality of the video, and the fact there is no sound, it is difficult to see exactly when the shooting occurred.



Video #11 – An additional patrol unit arrived on scene.

**Video #12** – Deputies held their positions behind their patrol vehicle with their guns drawn toward the trailer.

Video #13 – Witness was moved to a different patrol vehicle.

Video #14 - Aero Unit 29 airship shined its spotlight onto the scene.

Video #15 - The trailer door opened, and Suspect Beckwith is seen in the doorway.

Video #16 - SEB deputies employed flashbang grenades.

**Video #17** – A Chemical agent is employed into the trailer. A K-9 dog exited the trailer (the K-9 dog entered the trailer prior to the start of this video clip).

**Video #18** – An SEB arrest team approached the trailer with a shield.

#### <u>STATEMENTS</u>

Homicide investigators interviewed the involved deputies and numerous Department employees and civilian witnesses. Some of the witnesses contacted provided information regarding Suspect Beckwith but the information was not consequential to the shooting.

The following narratives are intended only as a synopsis of the interviews. IAB investigators interviewed the involved deputy personnel. The following are summaries of interviews conducted by IAB and Homicide Bureau. For more information and precise wording, see the attached CD containing the verbatim interview transcriptions and audio recorded interviews.

#### **INVOLVED DEPUTY JONATHAN BLUE**

On March 17, 2019, Deputy Blue was interviewed by Detective Carlin and Detective Hernandez. The interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Bureau Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 20-21]. On February 22, 2022, Deputy Blue was interviewed by IAB Sergeants Joseph Morales, # and Gabriel Akchyan, # Deputy Blue was represented by Attorney Maureen Okwuosa from Rains, Lucia, and Stern.

On March 16, 2021, Deputy Blue was assigned to Palmdale station on PM shift. Deputy Blue worked Unit 264A with his partner, Deputy Barrientos. During their shift, they received two calls for service, PLM19075-0178, PLM19075-0261 [Exhibit B] from an anonymous caller. The caller stated a warrant suspect lived in a trailer parked in the driveway at Karling Place. Deputies Blue and Barrientos responded to the first call for service and drove by the location. After not noticing anything suspicious, they cleared the call and left the location.

Karling Place, PLM19075-0178, showed a clearance code of 212 with a clearance narrative which stated "no acknowledgement at the door. No one seen inside trailer." Deputy Blue stated Deputy Barrientos entered the clearance narrative but did not know why he stated "no acknowledgement at the door" when they only drove by the location.

Later that evening they received a second call for services to respond to the same location. Deputy Blue contacted the Palmdale Station's secretaries and asked them to run the name of the suspect in the call, Timothy Beckwith, and to obtain his photo. After they received a photograph of Suspect Beckwith via his Department email, Deputy Blue consulted with Sergeant Nathan Grimes # (Sergeant Grimes) prior to responding to the location. Deputy Blue spoke with Sergeant Grimes about their plan to contact Suspect Beckwith and their legal standing. Deputy Blue told Sergeant Grimes they would only do a door knock and would not enter the location, barring an urgency [Deputy Blue's IAB Transcript, page 16].

Deputy Blue confirmed Suspect Beckwith had a felony warrant and determined the arrest warrant was for an assault with a deadly weapon, but not firearm related. Deputy Blue decided to contact Suspect Beckwith. Prior to conducting the door knock, Deputies Blue and Barrientos discussed a plan in how they should approach the trailer. Deputy Blue was responsible for emergent radio traffic, and they discussed their plan to egress if needed.

Deputy Blue parked their patrol vehicle in front of the trailer in case they needed to retreat for cover. Deputies Blue and Barrientos approached the trailer, Deputy Barrientos took a position on the north side of the trailer. Deputy Blue saw a faint light

inside the trailer. As they stood outside the trailer they listened for any voices or movement from inside the trailer. Deputy Blue approached the trailer's door and stepped up onto pallets stacked next to the trailer's door which served as makeshift steps and knocked. Deputy Blue identified himself as a Sheriff's Deputy. A voice inside the trailer replied, "This better not be a joke, I have a gun" [Deputy Blue's IAB Transcript, Page 9]. Deputy Blue replied, "Timothy", which caused Suspect Beckwith to respond; however, Deputy Blue could not understand what he said. Deputy Blue stated after saying "Timothy," Suspect Beckwith's tone of voice changed which raised Deputy Blue's suspicion [Deputy Jonathan Blue's Homicide Transcript, page 13].

Deputy Blue unholstered his duty weapon and intended to back away from the trailer. Before Deputy Blue could move, the trailer's front door abruptly swung open. Deputy Blue immediately used the flashlight affixed to his firearm to illuminate the doorway and into the trailer. Deputy Blue saw Suspect Beckwith in a crouched position, in the doorway, and believed he matched the description of the warrant suspect [Deputy Blue's IAB Transcript, Page 28].

Deputy Blue used his left hand to hold the trailer door to prevent Suspect Beckwith from closing it. Suspect Beckwith released the door and stepped back two to three steps into the trailer. Deputy Blue described the interior of the trailer as very dimly lit; however, the light casted the shadow of some type of object on Suspect Beckwith. Deputy Blue saw Suspect Beckwith remove what appeared to be a firearm from a pant or shirt pocket with his left hand. Suspect Beckwith stood from the crouched position and moved toward Deputy Blue while he pointed what Deputy Blue believed to be a firearm in his direction. When asked what he thought would happen, Deputy Blue stated, "I thought he was intent on killing us" [Deputy Blue's IAB Transcript, Page 32].

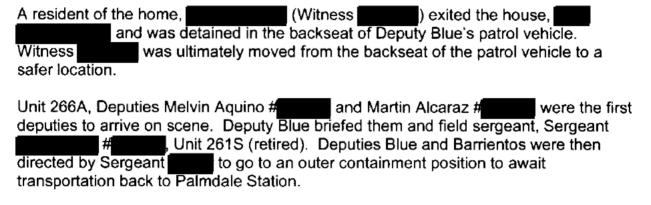
Deputy Blue heard a muffled gunshot which caused him to believe Suspect Beckwith fired a shoot at him. Deputy Blue moved away from the trailer and heard Deputy Barrientos fire rounds into the trailer. Deputy Blue stepped off the pallets which were in front of the door, turned, and fired rounds into the trailer from a couple feet away [Deputy Blue's Homicide Transcript, Page 16]. Deputy Blue had no time to deescalate the situation and did not consider using a less lethal weapon because he believed Suspect Beckwith had a firearm [Deputy Blue's IAB Transcript, Page 31]. Deputy Blue did not recall if he or Deputy Barrientos fired first. Deputy Blue was unable to tell if any rounds hit Suspect Beckwith. When asked by investigators if his decision to shoot was his independent decision, Deputy Blue replied, "It was my independent decision to shoot because I believed he posed a direct threat to one, myself, and then two, my partner" [Deputy Blue's IAB Transcript, Page 36].

Deputy Blue fired a second volley of shots seconds after firing the first volley. Deputy Blue fired as he backed up toward another smaller trailer parked in the driveway several feet to the east of Suspect Beckwith's trailer. Deputy Blue fired in the direction of the trailer's doorway, where he last saw Suspect Beckwith standing. Deputy Blue stated his backdrop, at the time he fired his weapon, was Suspect Beckwith's trailer. Deputy Blue believed Suspect Beckwith could have fired rounds through the walls of the trailer and

potentially strike him or Deputy Barrientos. Deputies Blue and Barrientos moved back to their patrol vehicle for cover.

Deputy Barrientos broadcasted emergent radio traffic including their location to get additional units to respond to their location. Deputy Blue shouted out to Suspect Beckwith and asked him if he was hit by gunfire. Deputy Blue recalled Suspect Beckwith stated he was shot. Aero Unit Air 29 responded and due to the helicopter's low orbit, Deputy Blue had difficulty hearing Suspect Beckwith.

IAB NOTE: During their pre-planning, Deputy Blue was designated to handle radio traffic if it became necessary. Immediately after the shooting, Deputy Barrientos broadcasted the "998" radio traffic. Deputy Blue allowed Deputy Barrientos to continue as to not interrupt his radio traffic. Deputy Blue did eventually broadcast all deputies were accounted for after mishearing Deputy Barrientos' radio traffic, believing Deputy Barrientos broadcasted two deputies were hit [Exhibit E, Radio Traffic, SCC Access at 21:15:03].



IAB investigators showed Deputy Blue photos of a metal bike piece and a bicycle gooseneck [Exhibit F] (These items are also listed as evidence in the Homicide casebook as Items 27 and 30) [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, page 46]. Deputy Blue was asked if he believed these were the objects Suspect Beckwith held in his hand at the time of the shooting. Deputy Blue was unsure. Deputy Blue believed Suspect Beckwith held a firearm based on the way he held and pointed the object at Deputy Blue. IAB investigators also showed Deputy Blue photos of Suspect Beckwith's trailer to determine where he stood when he initially contacted Suspect Beckwith at the trailer's door [Exhibit G].

On June 13, 2022, Deputy Blue was reinterviewed, at the IAB office, by IAB Sergeant Terrence Smith. Deputy Blue was represented by Attorney Maureen Okwuosa from Rains, Lucia, and Stern.

Deputy Blue was asked to describe how he gathered information regarding Suspect Beckwith prior to conducting the door knock. Deputy Blue stated Palmdale Station

secretaries provided a photograph of Suspect Beckwith. Deputy Blue also conducted a warrant check and retrieved a copy of the report related to the incident which led to Suspect Beckwith's warrant.

Deputy Blue stated he spoke with the PM shift Watch Sergeant Nathan Grimes (Sergeant Grimes) and made a notification regarding the door knock. Deputy Blue stated he wanted to have the field sergeant and an assisting car there at the time of his door knock; however, they were both unavailable. Since Deputy Blue was unable to get ahold of the field sergeant, he contacted Sergeant Grimes.

Deputy Blue stated prior to the door knock he and Deputy Barrientos discussed where they would park their patrol vehicle and how they would egress back to their patrol vehicle in case they needed to take cover. Deputy Blue stated they would hold their position, reassess, and wait for additional units.

Deputy Blue stated prior to knocking on the trailer door, Deputy Barrientos took a position on the east side of the trailer while Deputy Blue stood on the west side. Deputy Blue stated they only listened and did not make themselves known. Right before he knocked on the door, Deputy Blue called for Deputy Barrientos to come to his side of the trailer. Deputy Barrientos took a position on the north end of the trailer, where they could see each other.

IAB NOTE: Deputy Blue stated he was positioned on the west side of the trailer, near the trailer's door; however, the door was located on the east side of the trailer. Deputy Blue was positioned on the east side of the trailer.

After he knocked on the door, Deputy Blue recalled Suspect Beckwith stated, "This better not be a joke, I have a gun." Deputy Blue was asked if after hearing the statement if he considered retreating to his patrol vehicle and waiting for additional units. Deputy Blue considered going back to his patrol vehicle, but the door abruptly opened.

After the door opened, Deputy Blue recognized Suspect Beckwith from the photo he previously received. Deputy Blue illuminated the doorway with the light affixed to his firearm and saw Suspect Beckwith standing a couple feet away, and slighting bent at the waist. Deputy Blue saw Suspect Beckwith took several steps back and saw what he believed was a firearm in Suspect Beckwith's left hand. Deputy Blue heard a muffled pop and heard metal clanking together. Deputy Blue believed Suspect Beckwith fired a round from his firearm. Deputy Blue kept the trailer's door from closing and reached across his body with his left hand to hold the door open.

After he heard what he believed was a gunshot, Deputy Blue let go of the door; however, he did not recall firing while standing on the steps in front of the doorway. Deputy Blue stepped off the steps, turned and fired because he believed Suspect Beckwith posed a threat. Deputy Blue retreated to a small trailer approximately ten feet

east of Suspect Beckwith's trailer, where he found cover. Deputy Blue heard Deputy Barrientos request assistance over the radio.

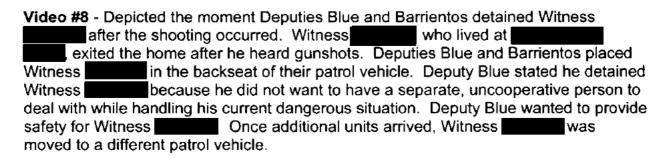
Deputy Blue could not recall if Deputy Barrientos fired his weapon. Deputy Blue stated he reassessed and decided to go back to his patrol vehicle for better cover. Deputy Blue was unsure why he walked between the small trailer and Suspect Beckwith's trailer to get back to his patrol vehicle instead of taking a safer route. Deputy Blue stated, "There was something in my head that said I have to go this way" [Deputy Blue's IAB Transcript, page 10].

IAB investigators read the video advisement to Deputy Blue and showed him three 20second videos clips surveillance video from a neighbor's camera which depicted segments of the incident.

**Video #3** - Depicted Deputies Blue and Barrientos speaking with an unidentified person near their patrol vehicle before they door knocked the trailer. Deputy Blue didn't recall where the person approached from, but Deputy Blue spoke to the unidentified person to try to gain information on Suspect Beckwith. The unidentified person was not detained and left the location prior to Deputy Blue conducting a door knock.

Video #7 - Depicted Deputy Blue at the door of the trailer at the time of the door knock and the deputy involved shooting. Initially, Deputy Blue did not recall he fired into the trailer while standing on the steps. After viewing the video, Deputy Blue stated he saw an object, he heard a muffled pop and metal clanking. This, along with Suspect Beckwith who earlier stated he had a gun, caused Deputy Blue to believe Suspect Beckwith was armed. Deputy Blue fired one round into the trailer from the doorway. Deputy Blue stated, he immediately turned away from the situation to reassess what he needed to do next [Deputy Blue's IAB Transcript, page 14].

Deputy Blue recalled he moved back to the small trailer just east of Suspect Beckwith's trailer, where he turned and fired two to three additional rounds because he believed Suspect Beckwith still posed a threat [Deputy Blue's IAB Transcript, page 14]. Deputy Blue reassessed and made sure he was not hit by gunfire before going back to his patrol vehicle for cover. Deputy Blue was asked if he believed Suspect Beckwith was hit by gunfire. Deputy Blue stated he believed it was a strong possibility. Deputy Blue tried to communicate with Suspect Beckwith after the shooting, but Suspect Beckwith only yelled, "Fuck you, you guys shot at me!"



#### INVOLVED DEPUTY RONALD BARRIENTOS

#### Homicide Interview

On March 17, 2019, Deputy Barrientos was interviewed by Detective Carlin and Detective Hernandez. The interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Bureau Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 17-19]. The following is a summary of the Homicide interview:

On March 16, 2021, Deputies Barrientos and Blue were assigned to Palmdale Station and worked Unit 264A. Deputies Barrientos and Blue received two calls for services during their shift (PLM19075-0178, PLM19075-0261) indicating there was a suspect at the location with an arrest warrant for assault with a deadly weapon. The suspect's name was Timothy Beckwith. The call stated the suspect was living in a trailer parked in the driveway of the residence at Karlng Place. Deputies Barrientos and Blue responded to the first call, but they didn't see anything suspicious as they drove by the location. Deputies Barrientos and Blue responded to the second call for services and parked their patrol vehicle in front of the location.

Deputies Barrientos and Blue stopped their patrol vehicle near the driveway of the residence. Deputy Blue knocked on the trailer's door and identified himself by stating "LA County Sheriff Deputies." A voice from inside the trailer replied, "This better not be a joke, I have a gun." The trailer door was opened from the inside, toward Deputy Blue, who stood near the doorway. Deputy Barrientos saw Deputy Blue had a surprised look on his face and heard what he believed was a gunshot. Deputy Blue jumped backward, away from the trailer door. Deputy Blue was hunched forward, which caused Deputy Barrientos to believe Deputy Blue had been shot. Deputy Barrientos described the gunshot he heard as having a lighter sound, as if it was possibly a small caliber handgun.

As Deputy Barrientos looked in the trailer from the open door, he saw light and then a shadow moved inside the trailer. Deputy Barrientos believed Deputy Blue didn't have cover and was vulnerable to being shot. Deputy Barrientos fired two rounds from his duty firearm into the area around the doorjamb of the trailer. Deputy Barrientos heard Deputy Blue fire approximately two rounds. Deputy Barrientos fired an additional four rounds toward where he believed Suspect Beckwith was located; however, Deputy Barrientos never saw Suspect Beckwith when the shooting occurred.

After he fired, Deputy Barrientos sought cover behind his patrol vehicle. He also broadcasted emergent radio traffic regarding the shooting. Deputy Barrientos heard Suspect Beckwith inside the trailer yelling, but Deputy Barrientos did not know what he was said. Deputy Barrientos retrieved the shotgun from his patrol vehicle and chambered a round. Once additional units arrived, Deputies Barrientos and Blue were contacted by field Sergeant and moved to an outer containment position before being taken back to Palmdale Station.

On January 22, 2022, Deputy Barrientos resigned from the Department and relocated out of state. IAB investigators made multiple phone calls to Deputy Barrientos and sent a United States Postal Certified letter to Deputy Barrientos' new address in to arrange an interview; however, he did not respond [MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS].

#### INVOLVED DEPUTY RAUL MAGADAN - SEB (SINCE PROMOTED TO SERGEANT)

On March 17, 2019, Deputy Magadan was interviewed by Detective Carlin and Detective Hernandez. This interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 22-24]. On February 23, 2022, Deputy Magadan was interviewed by IAB Sergeants Morales and Akchyan. Deputy Magadan was assigned to SEB, Gray Team.

On March 17, 2019, Deputy Magadan responded to Karlng Place in response to barricaded suspect in the Palmdale. Deputy Magadan also heard broadcasted information the involved deputies were fired on and returned fire.

Upon arrival Deputy Magadan saw Palmdale deputies had positioned an armored vehicle (ARV) near the Suspect Beckwith's trailer. Deputy Magadan and his team relieved Palmdale deputies on containment positions and formed an arrest team. SEB personnel also repositioned Palmdale's ARV to establish a better view of the trailer. SEB personnel positioned their ARV at an angle to use it more effectively as cover in case Suspect Beckwith decided to exit his trailer and engage deputies.

IAB investigators showed Deputy Magadan a photo **[Exhibit G]** of an ARV parked next to the Suspect Beckwith's trailer, which was taken after the incident had concluded. Deputy Magadan did not believe this was the ARV originally parked next to Suspect Beckwith's trailer when he arrived on scene because the ARV's were repositioned by SEB personnel during the operation.

A crisis negotiation team was also requested to respond to the location. Deputy Magadan stated SEB personnel made several callouts, via the ARV's public address system, for Suspect Beckwith to surrender. Suspect Beckwith stated he had been shot [Deputy Magadan's IAB Transcript, page 12]. Efforts continued for several hours to get Suspect Beckwith to peacefully surrender; however, he did not comply.

During the operation, Suspect Beckwith stated he would not be taken alive. Suspect Beckwith stated if anyone approached him, he would shoot them. Suspect Beckwith stated he would shoot the canine deployed at the scene. A flash bang grenade was employed next to Suspect Beckwith's trailer and followed by additional announcements to ensure Suspect Beckwith they did not want to hurt him. Deputy Magadan stated the purpose of employing the flash bang grenade was to elicit a response from Suspect Beckwith [Deputy Magadan's IAB Transcript, page 15]. After the flash bang grenade was employed, Suspect Beckwith refused to exit the trailer. Suspect Beckwith also continued to threaten to kill anyone who approached, as well as the canine. Deputy

Magadan saw Suspect Beckwith open the trailer then closed it very quickly. Deputy Magadan saw Suspect Beckwith holding what he believed was a firearm.

Deputy Magadan stated there was a SEB arrest team positioned on the east side of Suspect Beckwith's trailer and a secondary arrest team positioned on the west. SEB personnel cleared the residence at Karlng Place. SEB personnel were also positioned in the rear yard of the residence. Deputy Magadan stated each arrest team was comprised of two deputies who utilized lethal coverage, one deputy with a less lethal 40mm launcher, two deputies assigned to be hands-on when making an arrest, a deputy to give Suspect Beckwith verbal commands, along with a supervisor.

After all efforts to gain Suspect Beckwith's compliance failed, SEB personnel introduced a chemical agent into Suspect Beckwith's trailer via the ARV. The ARV was equipped with a boom, which allowed for the dissemination of gas into Suspect Beckwith's trailer from a safe distance. Deputy Magadan wore a gas mask to prevent himself from becoming contaminated by the gas that was employed. Deputy Magadan stated his vision was not compromised as he wore the gas mask.

Deputy Magadan was approximately 30 to 45 feet from Suspect Beckwith's trailer door, as he stood behind the front corner of the ARV. Deputy Edwin Barragan # and his canine stood next to him; however, they were not behind cover. Additional arrest team members were behind the ARV and Deputy Ryan Clarke # was positioned behind the rear corner of the ARV.

IAB investigators showed Deputy Magadan a photo depicting the front of the residence at Karlng Place and the trailer parked in the driveway. Deputy Magadan marked his position by writing a "M" on the photo where he stood. IAB investigators wrote a "C" on the photo to show approximately where Deputy Clarke stood at the rear of the ARV [Exhibit G].

Approximately 30 seconds after the chemical agent was employed into the trailer, Suspect Beckwith exited with his arms extended, holding what Deputy Magadan believed to be a handgun. Suspect Beckwith advanced toward Deputy Magadan's position at a fast pace. Suspect Beckwith walked in a north direction, between his trailer and a smaller trailer parked adjacent to his trailer. Deputy Magadan stated based on the information he earlier received regarding Suspect Beckwith firing at deputies, coupled with Suspect Beckwith's threats, Deputy Magadan decided to "Neutralize the threat" [Deputy Magadan's IAB Transcript, page 26].

Deputy Magadan was in a standing position and raised his weapon to his shoulder, before acquiring his target. Deputy Magadan acquired his target by utilizing the red ink point dot, equipped on the H&K MP5. Deputy Magadan said his H&K MP5 was set to semi-auto, and he believed he fired six-seven rounds at Suspect Beckwith. Deputy Magadan aimed at the center mass of Suspect Beckwith before he fired. Deputy Magadan estimated Suspect Beckwith was approximately 25 feet away from Deputy Magadan at the time Deputy Magadan fired his weapon. Deputy Magadan recalled his

backdrop was the primary residence at Karlng Place, which was previously evacuated.

Deputy Magadan did not have the chance to give Suspect Beckwith any commands prior to firing his weapon because Suspect Beckwith advanced quickly. Deputy Magadan believed Suspect Beckwith was going to start shooting and potentially shoot and kill Deputy Barragan or other deputies [Deputy Magadan's IAB Transcript, page 27].

After Suspect Beckwith was shot, he fell to the ground. Seconds later he got up and went back into his trailer. A SEB canine was deployed into the trailer but was eventually called out of the trailer. A Tactical Armored Vehicle (TAC-CAT), which is used to penetrate barriers such as walls and doors, was used to move the small trailer parked adjacent to Suspect Beckwith's trailer. A pole camera was inserted into Suspect Beckwith's trailer to determine his whereabouts inside the trailer and if it was safe to approach. SEB personnel made entry to Suspect Beckwith's trailer, along with SEB paramedics to render aid to Suspect Beckwith.

IAB investigators read the video advisement to Deputy Magadan and showed him surveillance video from a neighbor's camera which depicted segments of the incident. After viewing the video, Deputy Magadan did not offer any additional information regarding this incident.

#### WITNESS DEPUTY EDWIN BARRAGAN

#### Homicide Interview

On March 17, 2019, Witness Barragan was interviewed by Detective Carlin and Detective Hernandez. IAB investigators were also present during the interview. The interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 15-17]. Deputy Barragan was assigned to SEB Canine Services. The following is a summary of the Homicide interview:

Deputy Barragan responded to Karlng Place, along with Sergeant Spencer Reedy # and Deputy Brian Bank # after hearing reports of a deputy involved shooting over the radio frequency. They heard the suspect was armed and barricaded inside a trailer at the location.

Upon arrival, Deputy Barragan, along with Palmdale deputies, set up arrest teams and deployed less lethal weapons. Once SEB personnel arrived, they relieved Palmdale deputies from their positions. Deputy Barragan was tasked with taking his canine (Pluto) to the front of Suspect Beckwith's trailer and instructed Pluto to bark. This tactic was done so Suspect Beckwith knew a canine was present and would be used if he did not comply.

Deputy Barragan also stated announcements were made to Suspect Beckwith, urging him to surrender. Suspect Beckwith was also told if he was injured, to come out so he could be medically treated. Suspect Beckwith replied, "Fuck you! Fuck you and your dog! Fuck you and the paramedics!" [Deputy Barragan's Homicide Transcript, page 5]. Suspect Beckwith opened his trailer's door and yelled, "Fuck you guys, I'm not coming out" before slamming the door closed [Deputy Barragan's Homicide Transcript, page 7]. Deputy Barragan stated Suspect Beckwith did not appear injured because he was mobile inside the trailer.

Deputy Barragan stated a plan was initiated to introduce a chemical agent into Suspect Beckwith's trailer. Deputies with less lethal weapons would employ their weapons if Suspect Beckwith exited his trailer and did not surrender. Deputy Magadan was positioned next to Deputy Barragan and was assigned to employ lethal force if necessary. Deputies Barragan and Magadan were positioned at the front corner of the ARV parked in the street in front of Suspect Beckwith's trailer. Attempts were made to get Suspect Beckwith to surrender peacefully. The Crisis Negotiation Team responded and made announcements via a public address system.

Two flash bang grenades were employed, one on the side and the other underneath Suspect Beckwith's trailer; however, they had little effect. A chemical agent was then introduced into the trailer. Shortly after the chemical agent was employed, the trailer door exploded open, as if it were kicked from inside. Suspect Beckwith exited the trailer and advanced toward Deputies Barragan and Magadan. Suspect Beckwith extended his arms out and Deputy Barragan saw an object he believed to be a handgun, in Suspect Beckwith's right hand. Deputy Barragan tucked himself down and looked at his canine to make sure the canine had Suspect Beckwith in sight.

When Deputy Barragan looked down, he heard approximately three to four shots. At the time of the shooting, Deputy Barragan did not realize Deputy Magadan was the shooter. Suspect Beckwith spun around and fell to the ground and then bear crawled back inside his trailer. At that time, Deputy Barragan employed his canine, Pluto, who followed Suspect Beckwith inside the trailer. Deputy Barragan heard noises coming from inside the trailer that sounded like items being tossed around. Deputy Barragan did not hear any yelling or barking from his canine. Seconds after Pluto entered the trailer, Deputy Barragan heard two muffled pops. Approximately 30 seconds after hearing the two muffled pops, Deputy Barragan did not hear any further commotion from inside the trailer.

Approximately 45 seconds later, and after SEB personnel conducted a roll call to ensure all deputies were accounted for, Deputy Barragan recalled Pluto out of the trailer. Deputy Barragan estimated Pluto was inside the trailer approximately 50 seconds to one minute and a half.

A TAC-CAT vehicle was used to introduce a pole camera into Suspect Beckwith's trailer to see where he was positioned inside. Deputy Barragan remained positioned behind the ARV, parked in the street in front of Suspect Barragan's trailer. Deputy Barragan

stated he was positioned there in case Suspect Beckwith exited the trailer again. Deputy Barragan stated he was constantly reassessed [Deputy Edwin Barragan's Homicide Transcript, page 18-19].

When the pole camera failed to locate Suspect Beckwith inside the trailer, Deputy Barragan employed Pluto a second time to locate Suspect Beckwith. Pluto entered the trailer, and after a quick search, exited. Deputy Barragan said Pluto showed interest in the trailer because he wanted to reenter to continue to search. Deputy Barragan employed Pluto again inside the trailer to continue searching for Suspect Beckwith. Deputy Barragan saw Pluto tugging on an object located under debris inside the trailer. When the arrest team entered the trailer, Deputy Barragan saw Pluto was pulling on Suspect Beckwith's leg. Deputy Barragan recalled Pluto to allow the arrest team access to Suspect Beckwith. Paramedics responded to the location to treat Suspect Beckwith.

During the operation, the area was illuminated by the ARV's spotlights. Deputy Barragan stated visibility was limited due to the smoke from the employed gas.

#### WITNESS DEPUTY RYAN CLARKE

#### Homicide Interview

On March 17, 2019, Deputy Clarke was interviewed by Detective Valencia and Detective Montenegro. IAB investigators were also present during the interview. The interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 30-31]. The following is a summary of the Homicide interview:

Deputy Clarke was assigned to the SEB Gray Team, and responded to Karling Place, Palmdale, regarding a barricaded suspect inside of a trailer at the residence. Additional SEB deputies arrived, and the trailer was contained within several armored rescue vehicles that surrounded it.

Numerous announcements were made to Suspect Beckwith to exit the trailer, but he refused to comply. Suspect Beckwith shouted he would exit the trailer with a firearm if deputies did not leave. Suspect Beckwith threatened to kill the deputies present and any canine's that entered his trailer. For several hours, deputies attempted to negotiate Suspect Beckwith's surrender, but he continued to threaten he would kill deputies and refused to exit.

SEB deputies inserted chemical agents into the trailer and Suspect Beckwith exited through the trailer door. Suspect Beckwith had an unknown object in his hand as he exited the trailer. Deputy Clarke heard four to five gunshots and saw Suspect Beckwith run back into the trailer. Deputy Clarke did not know who discharged their firearm. At the time he heard the gunshots, Deputy Clarke was positioned east of Suspect Beckwith's trailer, at the rear end of the ARV, which was parked on Karling Place.

Deputy Clarke entered an SEB tactical tractor which is equipped with a claw with a camera on the end. Deputy Clarke inserted the camera into the interior of Suspect Beckwith's trailer in an attempt to locate Suspect Beckwith. Deputy Clarke was unable to locate Suspect Beckwith by using the camera, and Deputy Clarke moved the tractor away from the trailer.

#### WITNESS DEPUTY BRIAN BANK

#### Homicide Interview

On March 17, 2019, Deputy Bank was interviewed by Detective Valencia and Detective Montenegro. IAB investigators were also present during the interview. The interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 37-38]. The following is a summary of the interview:

Deputy Bank was assigned to SEB Canine Services when he received information regarding a deputy involved shooting in Palmdale. Deputy Bank responded to the location. Upon arriving on scene, Deputy Bank was told deputies attempted to contact Suspect Beckwith regarding an arrest warrant and Suspect Beckwith shot at the deputies when he answered the door. Deputy Bank was told the deputies returned fire and Suspect Beckwith barricaded himself inside his trailer.

Suspect Beckwith told the deputies to go away, and he would not exit. Numerous announcements were made to urge Suspect Beckwith to exit the trailer. Suspect Beckwith said he was going to shoot the canine and any deputy that entered the trailer. Deputy Bank stated his canine was not used because Deputy Barragan deployed his canine and only one dog can be used at a time during an operation. Deputy Bank took the role as supplemental canine handler and was positioned behind an ARV, on the passenger side.

Deputy Bank described a progression of force which included flash bang grenades, and chemical agents. After each attempt to get Suspect Beckwith to exit the trailer, Suspect Beckwith yelled at the deputies. Due to his position behind the armored vehicle, Deputy Bank could not see what occurred at the trailer. After the chemical agent was employed, he heard radio traffic that indicated Suspect Beckwith exited the trailer. Deputy Bank heard four to five gunshots and heard Deputy Barragan recall his canine.

Deputy Bank later learned Suspect Beckwith ran back into the trailer after the shots were fired. A pole camera was inserted into the trailer to locate Suspect Beckwith. When deputies could not locate Suspect Beckwith, the canine was sent into the trailer to locate him. An arrest team made entry and located Suspect Beckwith and medical attention was rendered to Suspect Beckwith.

#### WITNESS SERGEANT WILLIAM MURRAY

**Homicide Interview** 

On March 17, 2019, Sergeant Murray was interviewed by Detective Valencia and Detective Montenegro. IAB investigators were also present during the interview. The interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 38-39]. The following is a summary of the Homicide interview:

On March 16, 2019, Sergeant Murray was a sergeant assigned to SEB. Sergeant Murray responded to Karlng Place, in Palmdale, after he received information regarding a deputy involved shooting. While enroute to the location, Sergeant Murray was briefed on the circumstances of the incident. Upon arrival, Sergeant Murray heard announcements given via the public address system to urge Suspect Beckwith to surrender. Sergeant Witness Murray heard Suspect Beckwith say, "I'm hit, fuck you, I'm not coming out, I have a pistol, I'm coming out shooting." Suspect Beckwith also stated he would have to be killed.

SEB personnel used armored vehicles to form a perimeter around the trailer where Suspect Beckwith was barricaded. Sergeant Murray heard Suspect Beckwith move about the trailer. Sergeant Murray stated several diversionary devices were employed; however, this only caused Suspect Beckwith to yell at the deputies. Chemical agents were employed into the trailer while Sergeant Murray was positioned at the rear of an armored vehicle. Sergeant Murray heard several gunshots and was informed of a deputy involved shooting.

After the shooting occurred, Suspect Beckwith re-entered the trailer, and no longer responded to announcements. SEB personnel entered the trailer and found Suspect Beckwith lying on the floor inside. ESD paramedics responded and provided medical attention to Suspect Beckwith.

#### WITNESS SERGEANT SPENCER REEDY

#### Homicide Interview

On March 17, 2019, Sergeant Reedy was interviewed by Detective Valencia and Detective Montenegro. IAB investigators were also present during the interview. The interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 35-36]. The following is a summary of the Homicide interview. Sergeant Reedy was assigned to SEB Canine Services.

On March 16, 2019, Sergeant Reedy received information regarding a deputy involved shooting in Palmdale. Sergeant Reedy responded to the location with Deputies Bank and Barragan.

Upon arrival, Sergeant Reedy heard Suspect Beckwith state he was injured and could not open the trailer door. Announcements were made urging Suspect Beckwith to surrender; however, he refused. Suspect Beckwith stated he was not going out without a fight. Suspect Beckwith also stated deputies would have to come and get him and he

would shoot anyone who entered. Sergeant Reedy took a position to the rear of an armored vehicle and supervised the canine handlers. After diversionary devices were deployed, Sergeant Reedy heard six-seven gunshots and was told Suspect Beckwith reentered the trailer. After additional announcements, SEB deputies staged near the front door and utilized a canine to enter the trailer to locate Suspect Beckwith.

#### **WITNESS DEPUTY EDGAR SOLANO**

#### Homicide Interview

On March 17, 2019, Deputy Solano was interviewed by Detective Valencia and Detective Montenegro. IAB investigators were also present during the interview. This interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 34-35]. The following is a summary of the Homicide interview:

Deputy Solano had been a deputy with SEB since October 2016 and was assigned to the Tan Team. On March 16, 2019, at approximately 2130 hours, he was notified of Deputies Blue, and Barrientos' deputy involved shooting with Suspect Beckwith. Deputy Solano drove an SEB "Tac-Truck" and towed a tactical trailer to the location in Palmdale.

Deputy Solano heard radio traffic on the SEB radio frequency that Suspect Beckwith stated he was going to exit the trailer with a firearm. Deputy Solano also heard Suspect Beckwith threatened to shoot any canine that was deployed into his trailer. Deputy Solano drove an ARV affixed with a 12-foot pole, with a spear on the end, which is used to dispense CS gas. Deputy Solano inserted the pole into Suspect Beckwith's trailer and introduced the gas. Seconds later, Suspect Beckwith ran out of the trailer, approximately five-ten feet, with his arm extended. Deputy Solano saw what he believed was a small caliber, blue steel handgun, in Suspect Beckwith's hand. Deputy Solano heard three-five gunshots and saw Suspect Beckwith fall to the ground. Suspect Beckwith stood up quickly and ran back into the trailer. Deputy Solano repositioned his ARV and was not able to see when the arrest team made entry into the trailer.

#### WITNESS DEPUTY KEVIN HILGENDORF

#### Homicide Interview

On March 17, 2019, Deputy Hilgendorf was interviewed by Detective Valencia and Detective Montenegro. IAB investigators were also present during the interview. The interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 31-33]. The following is a summary of the Homicide interview:

Deputy Hilgendorf was assigned to the SEB Gray Team. Deputy Hilgendorf responded to Karling Place, Palmdale, regarding a barricaded suspect (Suspect Beckwith)

who was armed inside of a trailer at the residence. Additional SEB and Palmdale deputies, as well as a canine unit, also arrived at the location.

Numerous announcements were made for Suspect Beckwith to exit the trailer and to surrender. Suspect Beckwith responded he would not come out of the trailer, and he would not be taken into custody alive. Suspect Beckwith also stated he had a gun and would "shoot it out" if necessary. Suspect Beckwith opened the front door and the rear roof hatches of his trailer several times as if he was going to exit, but he did not.

Multiple SEB armored rescue vehicles were staged around Suspect Beckwith's trailer and an arrest team comprised of SEB deputies was formed. A Crisis Negotiation Team attempted to contact Suspect Beckwith and get him to surrender, but he refused.

SEB deputies eventually inserted chemical agents into the trailer. Seconds later, Suspect Beckwith exited through the trailer door. Deputy Hilgendorf lost sight of Suspect Beckwith after he exited the trailer but heard approximately six shots fired.

Numerous additional announcements were made to Suspect Beckwith after he reentered his trailer, but he did not respond. Cameras were inserted into the trailer to locate Suspect Beckwith, but he was not immediately found. A K-9 was sent into the trailer and eventually located Suspect Beckwith beneath a door and was not moving. SEB made entry into the trailer with paramedics.

#### WITNESS DEPUTY DANIEL LEON

#### Homicide Interview

On March 17, 2019, Deputy Leon was interviewed by Detective Valencia and Detective Montenegro. IAB investigators were also present during the interview. The interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 33-34]. The following is a summary of the Homicide interview:

Deputy Leon was an SEB deputy assigned to the Gray Team and had been assigned to SEB since July 2010. On March 16, 2019, at approximately 2100 hours, Deputy Leon responded to Karling Place in Palmdale due to a deputy involved shooting that involved Deputies Blue, Barrientos, and Suspect Beckwith, who was barricaded inside of a trailer at the residence.

Numerous unsuccessful attempts were made to convince Suspect Beckwith to exit the trailer. Suspect Beckwith opened the front door to the trailer and lifted the air vent on the roof to yell at deputy personnel on numerous occasions. Deputy Leon heard Suspect Beckwith shout deputies would have to kill him and he was going to exit the trailer and shoot.

SEB deputies deployed several diversionary devices and ultimately inserted chemical agents into Suspect Beckwith's trailer to get him to exit. Deputy Leon was positioned to

the rear of an armored rescue vehicle. Suspect Beckwith exited through the front door of the trailer and Deputy Leon heard several gunshots, but he did not see who discharged their weapon.

After the shooting, Suspect Beckwith went back into his trailer and shut the front door. A canine was deployed, entered the trailer, and located Suspect Beckwith inside. The canine bit Suspect Beckwith, but there was no movement from Suspect Beckwith. Deputy Leon entered the trailer with other SEB deputies and located Suspect Beckwith. Suspect Beckwith was treated by SEB paramedics.

#### WITNESS SERGEANT KAMAL AHMAD

#### Homicide Interview

On March 27, 2019, Sergeant Ahmad # was interviewed by Detective Valencia and Detective Montenegro. This interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 40-42]. The following is a summary of the Homicide interview:

Sergeant Ahmad was assigned to the Emergency Services Detail as a paramedic, and responded to the shooting at Karling Place, in Palmdale. Upon arrival Sergeant Ahmad heard deputies gave Suspect Beckwith commands to exit the trailer; however, he refused to comply. Sergeant Ahmad heard Suspect Beckwith say he was not going back, and he was going to shoot. After diversionary devices were employed, deputies continued to communicate with Suspect Beckwith, but he refused to comply. Suspect Beckwith continued to threaten deputies by saying he would shoot them. Chemical agents were employed, at which time Suspect Beckwith exited the trailer and took a shooting stance and advanced toward deputies.

Sergeant Ahmad watched the events through the window of an armored vehicle and believed Suspect Beckwith was trying to shoot at deputies. Sergeant Ahmad heard two to three gunshots and saw Suspect Beckwith moved to a tactical position and then advance toward deputies again. Sergeant Ahmad heard additional rounds fired and saw Suspect Beckwith entered his trailer. A camera was inserted into the trailer, but no movement was seen. An arrest team entered the trailer and found Suspect Beckwith on the floor. Sergeant Ahmad entered the trailer and saw Suspect Beckwith was shot. Sergeant Ahmad provided Suspect Beckwith medical attention, and pronounced Suspect Beckwith deceased at 0509 hours.

#### WITNESS SERGEANT NATHAN GRIMES

#### IAB Interview

On April 28, 2022, Sergeant Grimes was interviewed, over the phone, by Sergeant Smith. Sergeant Grimes was the Watch Sergeant at Palmdale Station on the evening of March 16, 2019. Deputy Blue contacted Sergeant Grimes by phone after he received

the second call for service (PLM19075-0261) and discussed his intention to do a door knock for Suspect Beckwith. Deputy Blue told him Suspect Beckwith had a felony warrant for his arrest. Sergeant Grimes advised Deputy Blue to do a proper work up of the location prior to conducting his door knock. Sergeant Grimes also advised Deputy Blue not to enter the location to apprehend Suspect Beckwith, in case he was armed. Sergeant Grimes did not respond to the location after the deputy involved shooting because he was off-duty by the time the shooting occurred.

<b>WITNESS</b>	

Homicide Interview
On March 17, 2019, Witness was interviewed by Detective Valencia and Detective Montenegro. IAB investigators were also present during the interview. The interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 28-29]. The following is a summary of the Homicide interview:
Witness was a police officer with the Inglewood Police Department. At the time of this incident, he was assigned in an on-loan capacity, to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's SEB. Witness responded to Karling Place, in Palmdale, regarding two deputies possibly hit by gunfire.
Upon his arrival to the scene, Witness saw Palmdale deputies positioned an armored vehicle at the location and staged an arrest team behind the vehicle. Deputies told Witness the involved deputies did a door knock at the trailer and Suspect Beckwith answered the door with a gun in his hand and possibly fired one round. Witness was told the deputies fired back at Suspect Beckwith.
As additional SEB personnel arrived, they contained the scene and tried to contact Suspect Beckwith. Suspect Beckwith responded by saying, "Fuck you! We're going to have to shoot it out at this point." Suspect Beckwith stated he was injured but refused to come out of the trailer when offered medical attention. Witness stated Suspect Beckwith continued to move about the trailer.
Arrest teams were comprised of SEB deputies assigned to various roles including lethal force, less-lethal force, contact deputies, and deputies assigned to give verbal commands. Witness was assigned to a less lethal role.
After several hours of announcements to Suspect Beckwith urging him to peacefully surrender, CS gas was introduced into the trailer via a boom attached to an armored vehicle. After the gas was introduced, Suspect Beckwith exited the trailer with an object in his hand. Witness wore a gas mask and was positioned behind the shooting deputy, (Deputy Magadan). Witness stated approximately six to eight shots were fired. Suspect Beckwith fell to the ground, stood up and ran back into his trailer. Witness saw a canine being employed into the trailer.

SEB deputies made additional announcements for Suspect Beckwith to surrender. When they did not receive a response, SEB personnel inserted a pole camera into the trailer; however, they could not see Suspect Beckwith. Witness saw canine employed into the trailer again.
SEB deputies made an approach and saw Suspect Beckwith was inside his trailer and unresponsive. Suspect Beckwith was given medical attention.
WITNESS
Homicide Interview
On March 17, 2019, Witness was interviewed by Detective Valencia and Detective Montenegro. The interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, page 26]. The following is a summary of the Homicide interview:
Witness (Witness). At approximately 2030 hours, Witness heard approximately seven gunshots outside of his home. When he went outside to check, Witness was detained by Deputies Blue and Barrientos and placed in the backseat of their patrol vehicle, which was parked on Karling Place, in front of Suspect Beckwith's trailer.
While detained in the patrol vehicle, Witness saw what he perceived to be movement coming from inside the trailer. Witness heard deputies offer Suspect Beckwith food and medical aid; however, Witness could not hear if Suspect Beckwith responded. Witness stated, "They (personnel) were pretty professional, sure" [Witness Homicide Transcript, page 9].
Witness saw Suspect Beckwith earlier that evening, at approximately 1945 hours, and described his appearance as "spun out" and believed he was high on drugs. He described Suspect Beckwith's eyes as "bugging out" and stated he moved his jaw back and forth. Witness did not know if Suspect Beckwith owned a firearm.
WITNESS
Homicide Interview
On March 17, 2019, Witness was interviewed by Detective Valencia and Detective Montenegro. The interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, page 26-27]. The following is a summary of the Homicide interview:
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Suspect Beckwith, who lived in the interest in the int
Witness and her was witness, Witness were not at the residence at the time of the shooting. While away, Witness learned of the shooting from her was, who learned of the shooting from a neighbor.
WITNESS
Homicide Interview
On March 17, 2019, Witness was interviewed by Detective Valencia and Detective Montenegro. The interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, page 27]. The following is a summary of the Homicide interview:
Witness was in San Fernando Valley at the time of the shooting and learned of the shooting by his was in San Fernando Valley at the time of the shooting and learned of the shooting by his was in San Fernando Valley at the time of the shooting and learned of the shooting by his was in San Fernando Valley at the time of the shooting and learned of the shooting by his was in San Fernando Valley at the time of the shooting and learned of the shooting and learned of the shooting by his was in San Fernando Valley at the time of the shooting and learned of the shooting by his was in San Fernando Valley at the time of the shooting and learned of the shooting by his was in San Fernando Valley at the time of the shooting and learned of the shooting by his was in San Fernando Valley at the time of the shooting and learned of the shooting by his was in San Fernando Valley at the time of the shooting and learned of the shooting by his was in San Fernando Valley at the time of the shooting and learned of the shooting by his was living in the trailer for about ten months and was allowed to live there because he had no family in the area and had recently lost all his belongings.
Witness described Suspect Beckwith as a "pothead." Witness stated he had not seen Suspect Beckwith in possession of a firearm recently but saw him with a firearm about ten years ago.
WITNESS
Homicide Interview
On March 17, 2019, Witness was interviewed by Detective Valencia and Detective Montenegro. The interview was audio recorded and is summarized in the Homicide Case Book [Exhibit A, Homicide Casebook, pages 27-28]. The following is a summary of the Homicide interview:
Witness lived at in a At the time of the shooting, Witness was in the city of Sylmar. While in the city of Sylmar, she received a call from her who told her about the shooting.